

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Currently Amended) A[n] cable plug connector comprising:
  - a housing;
  - a cable plug adapter connectable to a [wall] socket in a wall, attached to the housing and perpendicular to the plane of said housing;
  - and
  - a cable jack in said housing, the cable jack being electrically connected to the cable plug, and said cable jack opening from said housing substantially perpendicular to the cable plug adapter such that a cable connected to said jack would be parallel to said wall socket.
2. (Original) The apparatus in claim 1, wherein said cable jack is made to receive a standard telephone plug and said cable plug is a standard telephone plug.
3. (Currently Amended) An improved cable plug connector comprising:
  - a cable plug adapter for use in a [wall] socket in a wall;
  - a cable jack in a housing, said cable jack being electrically connected to said cable plug adapter;
  - said cable jack housing hingeably connected to said cable plug adapter, such that the angle between said cable plug adapter and said cable jack housing can [be varied] hinge between 180 degrees and 90 degrees such that a cable connected to said jack can be hinged to be parallel to said wall socket.

4. (Original) The apparatus in claim 3, wherein said cable jack is made to receive a standard telephone plug and said cable plug adapter is a standard telephone plug.

5. (Currently Amended) An improved cable plug connector comprising:

a cable plug adapter for use in a [wall] socket in a wall;

a plurality of cable jacks in a housing, arranged side-by-side in a linear fashion, said cable jacks being electrically connected to said cable plug adapter; and

said cable plug adapter connectedly attached to said housing at an angle approximating ninety degrees such that said cable jacks in said housing are parallel to said wall socket.

6. (Original) The apparatus in claim 5, wherein said cable jacks are made to receive standard telephone plugs and said cable plug adapter is a standard telephone plug.

7. (Currently Amended) A cable plug connector comprising:

a cable plug adapter for use in a [wall] socket in a wall;

a plurality of cable jacks in a housing, arranged side-by-side in a linear fashion, said cable jacks being electrically connected to said cable plug adapter; and

said housing hingeably connected to said cable plug adapter, such that the angle between said cable plug adapter and said cable jack housing [can be varied] can hinge between 180 degrees and 90 degrees.

8. (Original) The apparatus in claim 7, wherein said cable jacks are made to receive a standard telephone plug and said cable plug adapter is a standard telephone plug.

9. (Withdrawn with traverse) A method for protecting multiple cable plugs from damage, comprising:

inserting a plurality of cable plugs into a housing containing multiple cable jacks arranged side-by-side;

orienting said housing such that it is perpendicular to, and attached to, a single cable plug; and

electrically connecting said cable jacks to said cable plug.

10. (Cancelled).